The County of Centre PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS, the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, enumerated in our Declaration of Independence, secured by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, and enjoyed by every citizen of the United States, are secured by the dedication of the members of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the sacrifices made by all members of the United States Armed Forces and their loved ones are to be valued; and the brave men and women of our community who served and enlisted, ready to defend our homeland and safeguard the freedom and values for which we stand, deserve our recognition; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvanians have a proud history of service in the United States Armed Forces in both times of peace and times of war, and we're proud to count our honorable service members still active, our veteran heroes on the home front, our wounded warriors and their family members as integral members of our community; and

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University, together with Centre County, PA, join the United States Department of Defense and the rest of the Nation in marking the 100th anniversary of women in the U.S. Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University, together with Centre County, PA, are committed to translating our gratitude into sustainable social and civic support; and

WHEREAS, we dedicate this commemoration month for Military Appreciation as a symbol of unity to recognize, honor, and support the commitment and sacrifice of current, former and fallen members of all the branches of U.S. Armed Forces.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Centre County Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of November 2018 as "Military Appreciation Month" in the Centre County to encourage all residents and community members to recognize those who have served, or are currently serving, our Nation, our Campus, and our Community and thank them for their tremendous contributions.

ADOPTED this 30th day of October 2018.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Michael Pipe, Chair

Mark Higgins, Vice- C

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ATTEST:

Margaret N. Gray, Administrator